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Sternum suture band

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- Applicant claims small entity status.
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Attachment:

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- (2) Fee Transmittal (PTO/SB/17)
- (3) Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038)
- (4) Declaration for Utility Patent Application (PTO/SB/01)
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